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 TAGS: MNUC SCSA TNUC IAEA  
 SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS BY FORMER IAEA SAFEGUARDS INSPECTOR

1. SUMMARY. MISSION UNDERSTANDS THAT A FORMER IAEA  
 SAFEGUARDS INSPECTOR FOR JAPAN (ROY MORGAN-US) HAS (OR  
 WILL SHORTLY) RELEASED A REPORT CONCERNING ADEQUACY OF  
 IAEA SAFEGUARDS SYSTEM. IAEA SAFEGUARDS DDG GRUEMM HAS  
 REQUESTED URGENT DETAILS ON THIS REPORT FOR CONTINGENCY  
 USE AT A PRESS CONFERENCE FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20. JAPANESE  
 HAVE ALSO REQUESTED INFORMATION FROM IAEA ON NEW REPORT,  
 AND EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE ALLEGATIONS OF  
 INADEQUACY OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS IN JAPAN. END SUMMARY.

2. IAEA DDG GRUEMM CONTACTED MISSION NOV 17 IN SOME  
 AGITATION; REPORTING "RUMORS" THAT FORMER IAEA SAFE-  
 GUARDS INSPECTOR ROY MORGAN (WHO LEFT IAEA IN AUGUST,  
 1980) AFTER A THREE-YEAR ASSIGNMENT) HAS (OR WAS ABOUT  
 TO) RELEASED A DETAILED REPORT QUESTIONING ADEQUACY OF

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IAEA SAFEGUARDS AT RESEARCH REACTORS. CHARACTERIZING THIS AS POSSIBLY "ANOTHER ROGER RICHTER CASE," GRUEMM URGENTLY REQUESTED DETAILS OF POSSIBLE MORGAN REPORT AND U. S. VIEWS ON HOW TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING ITS CONTENT. ACCORDING TO GRUEMM'S INFORMATION, MORGAN REPORT WAS RECENTLY SENT TO USNRC AND WAS REVEALED DURING RECENT CONGRESSIONAL HEARING.

3. GRUEMM ALSO NOTED PROBLEM ASSOCIATED WITH TIMING OF ANY SUCH FURTHER ALLEGATIONS. IAEA INSPECTORS ARE NOW COMPLETING INSPECTION OF IRAQI TAMUZ REACTOR AND HAVE APPARENTLY CONCLUDED THAT ALL THE FRENCH-SUPPLIED HEU FUEL IS STILL PRESENT THERE. AS RESULT OF INTENSE PRESS INTEREST IN IRAQI SAFEGUARDS, IAEA PLANS TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 20 TO REPORT ON INSPECTION, AND GRUEMM BELIEVES QUESTION OF MORGAN REPORT MAY ALSO COME UP IN THAT CONTEXT.

4. GRUEMM ALSO STATED TO MISSION THAT JAPANESE HAVE CONTACTED HIS OFFICE, ASKING FOR DETAILS AS TO WHETHER MORGAN REPORT IS CRITICAL OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS INSPECTION OF RESEARCH REACTOR IN JAPAN. GRUEMM NOTED IN PASSING THAT ANY SUCH REPORT WOULD CREATE FURTHER PROBLEMS FOR OBTAINING ACCEPTANCE OF U.S. SAFEGUARDS INSPECTIONS.

5. IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE OR INFORMATION WHICH DEPT MAY HAVE CONCERNING THESE ISSUES, TOGETHER WITH GUIDANCE AS TO PREFERRED LINE FOR IAEA TO FOLLOW.

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